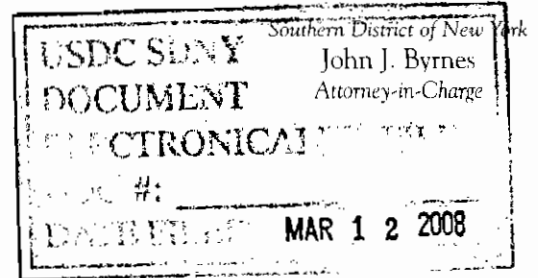


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March 10, 2008



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Hon. Laura Taylor Swain
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United States District Court
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007

MEMO ENDORSED

Re: United States v. Michael Ballard
No. S1 07 Cr. 738 (LTS)
Request for Adjournment, on Consent

Dear Judge Swain:

I am writing to respectfully request that the sentencing in this case, currently scheduled for March 19, 2008, be adjourned for 1 week. I make this request because I will be out of the office during the week of March 17.

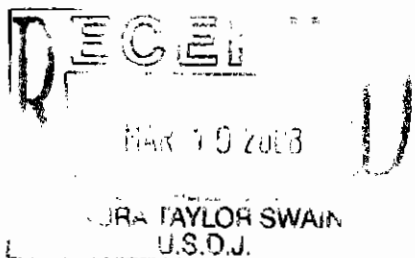
I have spoken with Assistant United States Attorney Christian Everdell, who consents to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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The sentencing is adjourned to
March 31, 2008, at 12:30pm. All
sentencing issues must be fully briefed
and all submissions received by
Chambers, no later than March 24, 2008.
SO ORDERED.



LAURA TAYLOR SWAIN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE